

**Yolo County  
Board of Supervisors**

**Resolution No. 23-172**

**Proclaiming November 2023 as “Diabetes Awareness Month” in Yolo County**

**WHEREAS**, diabetes is a chronic health condition that affects more than 37.3 million Americans, about 11.3% of the US population; and

**WHEREAS**, of the 37.3 million Americans living with diabetes, 8.5 million are undiagnosed, pointing to a severe need for additional awareness of the warning signs and symptoms of this disease; and

**WHEREAS**, in California, 3,026,764 people are diagnosed with diabetes and an additional approximately 884,000 people have diabetes, but are undiagnosed; and

**WHEREAS**, diabetes costs the State of California over \$39.5 billion every year and people with diabetes have medical expenses that are about 2.3 times higher than those without; and

**WHEREAS**, one third of the adult population in California has prediabetes, which means that their blood glucose levels are higher than normal, but not yet high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes; and

**WHEREAS**, Diabetes Awareness Month provides an opportunity to increase public awareness of diabetes and to highlight efforts being conducted locally to invest in fighting diabetes; and

**WHEREAS**, the prevalence of diabetes is significantly greater among people experiencing poverty, such that the prevalence of diabetes among CommuniCare+OLE patients is roughly 50% greater than among the general Yolo County population (8% in Yolo County vs. 12.5% among CommuniCare+OLE Yolo patients); and

**WHEREAS**, CommuniCare+OLE has been working to provide education and disease-management support to patients in Yolo County who have diabetes or are at risk of the disease through its “Healthy Living with Diabetes Program”; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2020, Sutter Health has invested \$600,000 annually towards supporting CommuniCare+OLE’s “Healthy Living with Diabetes Program”; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, UC Davis Health was awarded \$3.75 million to launch new research into metabolic disorders, including diabetes, to further human understanding of these conditions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Yolo County Board of Supervisors declares November 2023 as “Diabetes Awareness Month” in Yolo County, thanks all those who do research or health work in the fight against diabetes, and encourages residents to educate themselves as to the symptoms of, dangers of, and steps to prevent diabetes.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2023 by the following vote:

**AYES:** Frerichs, Vixie Sandy, Provenza, Barajas, Villegas.

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Oscar E. Villegas, Chair  
Yolo County Board of Supervisors